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In accordance with Rule 56, applicant is aware of the publications listed in the enclosed copy of Patent Office Form PTO/SB/08A. These references were first cited in an Office action dated August 4, 2006 from the Chinese Patent Office in the corresponding Chinese application. A copy of the Chinese Office action, along with an English translation, is attached. A copy of each of the foreign publications is enclosed herewith.

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